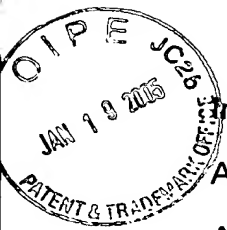


**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



In re Patent Application of )

Asa Berglund )

Application No.: 09/869,269 )

Filed: July 11, 2001 )

For: MODIFICATION OF INTERFERON )  
ALPHA PRODUCTION )

Group Art Unit: 1647

Examiner: Seharaseyon  
Jegatheesan

Confirmation No.: 2429

**INTERVIEW SUMMARY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant's undersigned representative thanks Examiner Seharaseyon and Examiner Andres, for the courtesy of a telephonic interview with the undersigned and Applicant's representative Mercedes Meyer on December 20, 2004. Unexpected results associated with the claimed processes, as well as the differences between lymphoblastoid cells and leukocyte cells, were discussed. Applicant's representative discussed in detail the important structural and functional differences between lymphoblastoids and leukocytes, which render the present claims patentable over the cited references.

If, upon further consideration, any concerns or issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned so that such issues can be most expeditiously resolved.


If there are any questions concerning this paper, or the application in general,  
Applicants invite the Examiner to telephone the undersigned at his earliest  
convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

BURNS, DOANE, SWECKER & MATHIS, L.L.P.

Date: January 19, 2005

By:

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Deborah H. Yellin  
Registration No. 45,904

P.O. Box 1404  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1404  
(703) 836-6620